

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF GEORGIA

A PROCLAMATION CONSERVATION DAY

WHEREAS: Georgia is richly blessed with an abundance of natural resources and diverse

> ecosystems including mountains, the Piedmont, coastal plains, barrier islands, rivers, salt-water marshes, clay, sand, marble and much more; and

Our state's natural resources play a vital role in maintaining the air we WHEREAS:

breathe, the water we drink and the soil in which we grow our food, as well as the wildlife habitats that support life and contribute to Georgia's well-

being and prosperity; and

WHEREAS: It is imperative to increase awareness of the importance of conserving our

state's natural resources in the interest of Georgia's continued health and

economic growth; and

Many environmental and conservation organizations across the state, such WHEREAS:

> as the Garden Club of Georgia and the Georgia Water Coalition, are committed to educating our citizens and communities on the necessity of

protecting Georgia's water and natural resources; now

I, NATHAN DEAL, Governor of the State of Georgia, do hereby proclaim THEREFORE:

> March 1, 2018, as CONSERVATION DAY in Georgia and encourage citizens to participate in efforts to conserve our state's natural resources for future

generations.

In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Executive Department to be affixed this 26th day of February in the year of

our Lord two thousand eighteen.



ATTEST